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# Modeling and Control Software Tools to Support V2G Integration

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**Multi-Lab EV Smart Grid Working Group**

(Convened by the DOE Vehicle Technologies Office)



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## Timeline

- April 1, 2016
- April 1, 2019
- Percent complete: **10%**

## Budget

- Total funding: \$2.86M (DOE)
- FY16 funding: \$970k (new start)

## Partners

- Multi-Lab EV Smart Grid Working Group
  - Lawrence Berkeley National Lab (Project lead)
  - Argonne National Lab
  - Idaho National Lab
  - Oak Ridge National Lab
  - National Renewable Energy Lab
  - Pacific Northwest National Lab
- California Energy Commission, on behalf of the CA inter-agency VGI working group,

## Barriers

- ***Feasibility of Vehicle-Grid Integration (VGI) remains unclear***
- ***Distribution of value available across multiple stakeholders is uncertain***
- ***Uncertain how effectively plug-in vehicles (PEVs) can enable renewables integration***
- ***Require tools for modeling and run-time controls for collections of vehicles***

# Relevance and Project Objectives

## Relevance

- **Grid services by plug-in vehicles can be valuable for drivers, OEMs, and grid stakeholders, while enabling grid integration of renewables**
  - Long-term opportunity:  
~1,000 GWh of grid storage available if ¼ U.S. LDV are PHEVs
- **Feasibility (value, cost, complexity, and risks) of VGI remain unclear**
  - Unclear value across stakeholders is a barrier to deployment of VGI

## Project Objectives

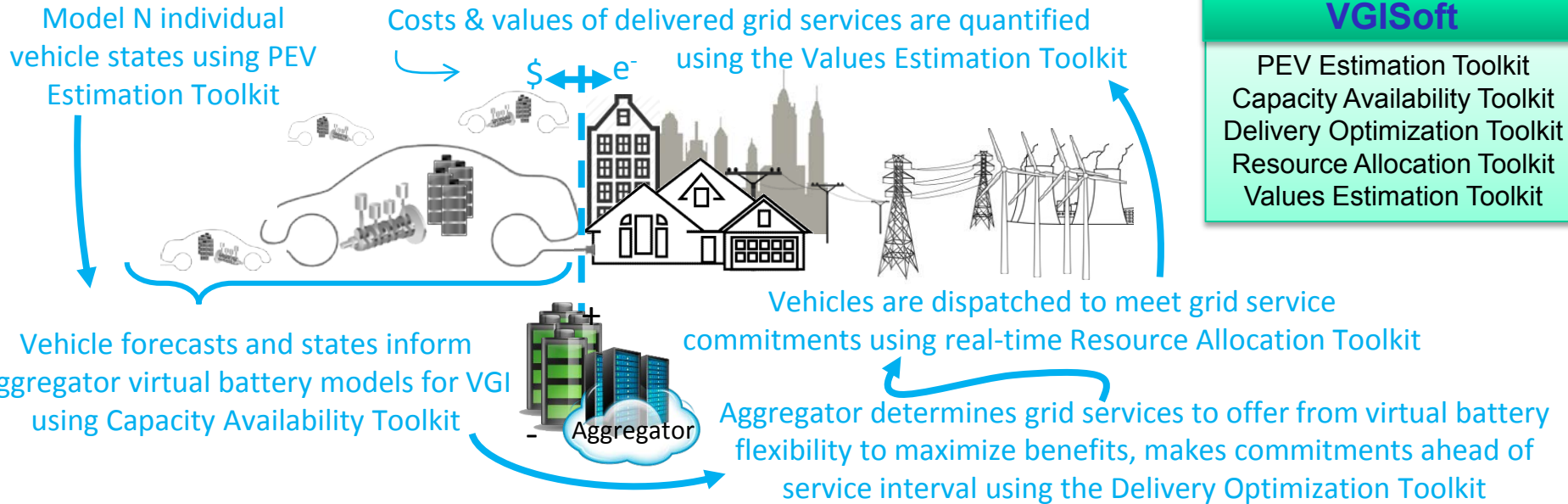
- **Quantify the *feasibility of VGI***
  - Determine the feasibility of VGI by quantifying *value, cost, complexity, and risks* of several VGI implementations
  - Quantify the *available value across stakeholders* of several VGI implementations
- **Quantify the ability for *vehicles to enable renewables integration***
  - Quantify the extent to which electrified vehicles can be an enabler for integration of intermittent renewable power generation
- **Develop tools for modeling and run-time controls for collections of vehicles**

# Milestones

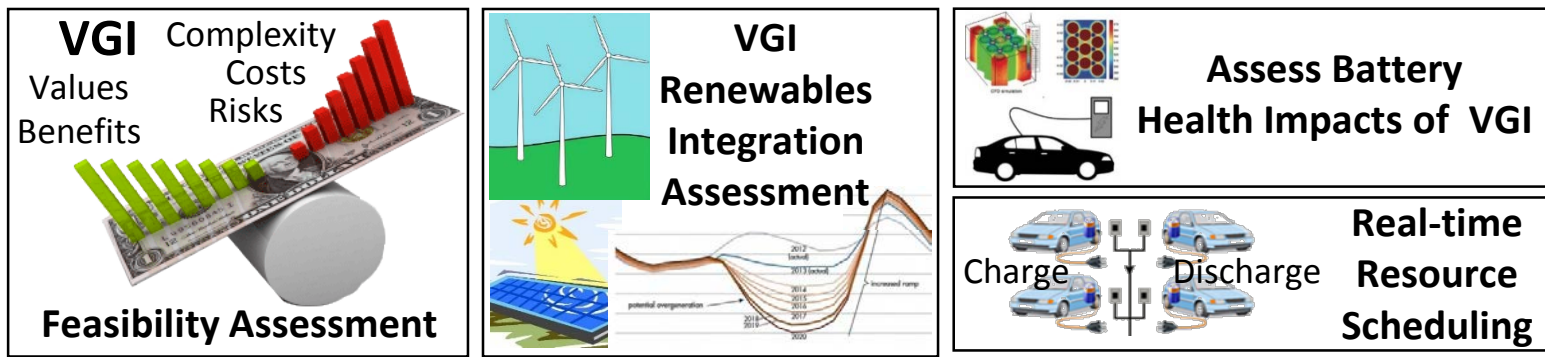
	Task 1: Development and Validation of VGISoft	Task 2: VGI Feasibility Assessment	Task 3: VGI Renewables Integration Assessment
<b>Q1</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Finalize objectives /requirements of each VGISoft toolset</li> <li>➤ Survey capabilities and methods to leverage from prior models</li> <li>➤ Develop slide deck explaining VGISoft structure and plan for how it will be created</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ List and categorize VGI implementation approaches to be explored for feasibility assessment</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ List and categorize VGI implementation approaches for renewables integration to be explored for assessment</li> </ul>
<b>Q2</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Create and integrate codes to establish VGISoft architecture, data exchange standards, and variables structure</li> <li>➤ Expand VGISoft slide deck to explain framework architecture.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Prioritize VGI implementation approaches to be explored in feasibility assessment.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Prioritize VGI renewables integration approaches to be explored.</li> </ul>
<b>Q3</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Create and integrate PEV Estimation, Capacity Allocation, Delivery Optimization, Resource Allocation Toolkits</li> <li>➤ Expand VGISoft slide deck to explain all toolkit methodologies.</li> </ul>		
<b>Q4</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Create Values Estimation Toolkit within VGISoft</li> <li>➤ Create model initialization, results post-processing, and results visualization tools</li> <li>➤ Demonstrate complete VGISoft functionality</li> <li>➤ Expand VGISoft slide deck with example results.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Define simulation scenarios and initialization parameters for VGI feasibility assessment case studies.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Define simulation scenarios and initialization parameters for VGI renewables integration assessment case studies.</li> </ul>

# Approach / Strategy

## 1) Integrate & release VGISoft co-simulation framework



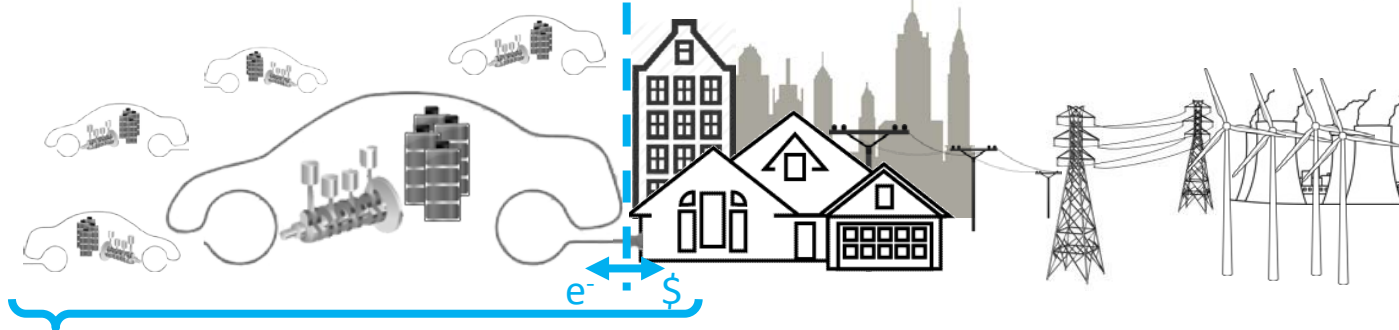
## 2) Apply VGISoft in case studies to address critical knowledge gaps



# Technical Accomplishments and Progress

## Vehicle-to-Grid Simulator (V2G-Sim)

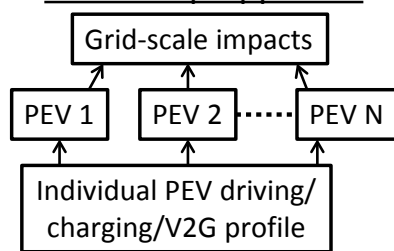
Vehicle and vehicle-grid simulation code developed at Berkeley Lab, available for use by all stakeholders



*VGISoft will leverage methods from several DOE simulation tools, including V2G-Sim*

V2G-Sim models the driving & charging of many individual vehicles to temporally & spatially predict how vehicles can benefit the electricity grid and how the grid will affect vehicles

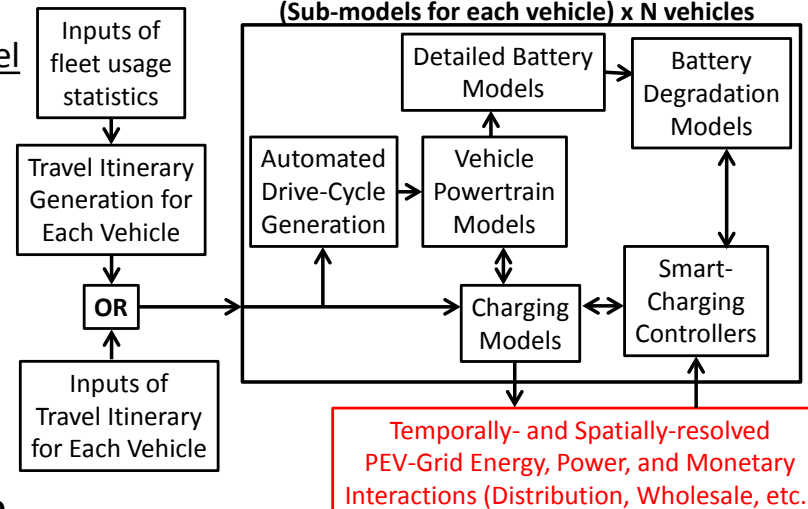
V2G-Sim follows a Bottom-up Approach



Core objective: a platform to develop and test any user-defined charge/discharge control approach and co-simulate with complementary models (e.g. distribution, transmission, market, etc.)

V2G-Sim Model Architecture

Includes libraries of models of varying complexity & computing time





# Technical Accomplishments and Progress

## FY15 – Applying smart charging on forecasted future California net load

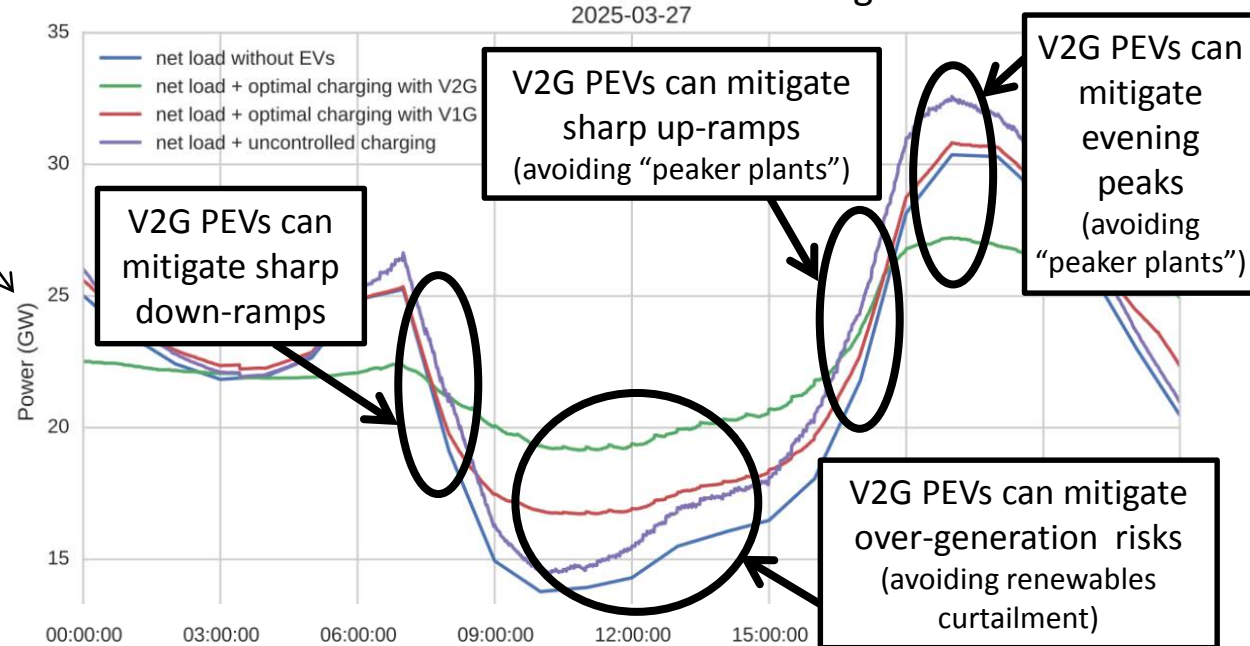
### Scenario:

- 3 millions electric vehicles (24kWh battery)
- Charging stations at home and work (7.2kW)
- 2009 NHTS travel itineraries for California drivers

\* V1G only allows power to flow from the grid to vehicles  
 \* V2G allows bi-directional power flow between vehicles and the grid  
 \*Optimal charging to smooth the net load

### California net load forecast for a possible day in 2025

Net load = Forecasted load – Forecasted wind & solar generation



- Uncontrolled charging will **increase the peak power** around 6pm
- V2G with optimal charge control **mitigates 4 major challenges of substantial renewables**
- V1G with optimal charge control **reduces over-generation without worsening evening peak**

# Technical Accomplishments and Progress

## FY15 - Quantifying EV Battery Degradation from Driving vs. V2G Services

Factors influencing battery degradation:

1. Temperature
2. Charge Rate
3. Depth of Discharge
4. Time

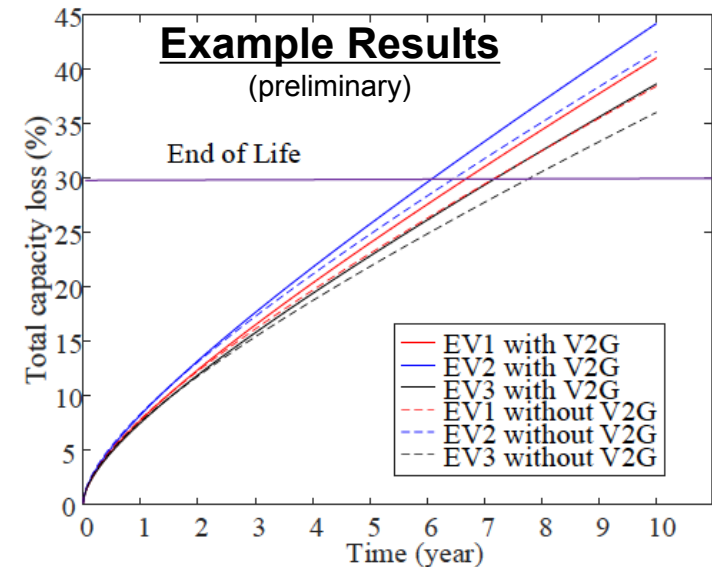
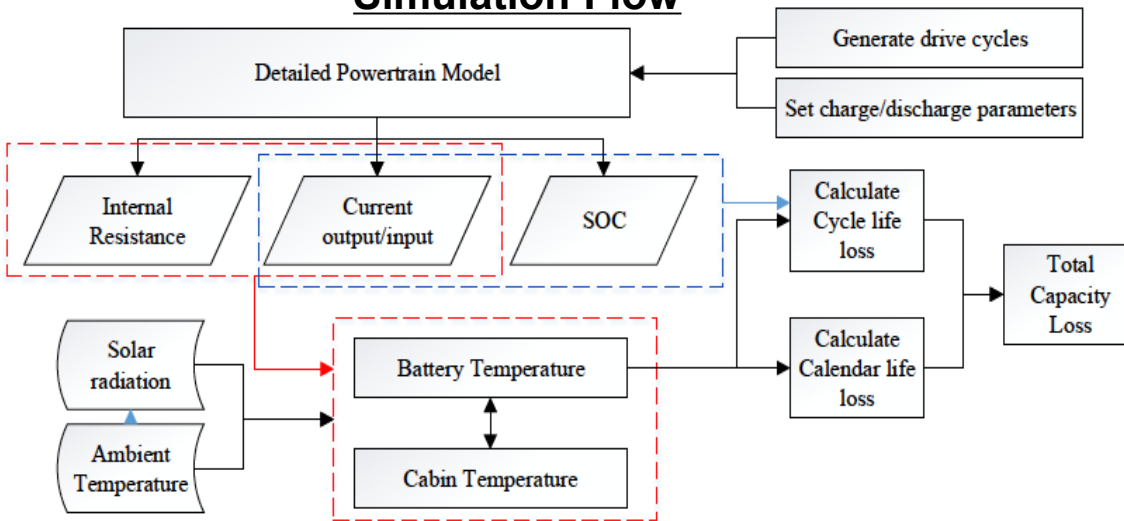
Many possible degradation models can be leveraged in VGI simulations, one example:

$$Q_{loss}^{total} = (a \cdot T^2 + b \cdot T + c) e^{(d \cdot T + e) \cdot I_{rate}} \cdot A_h + f \cdot e^{-E_a/RT} \cdot t^{1/2}$$

Capacity loss caused by cycling

Capacity loss caused by calendar aging

### Simulation Flow



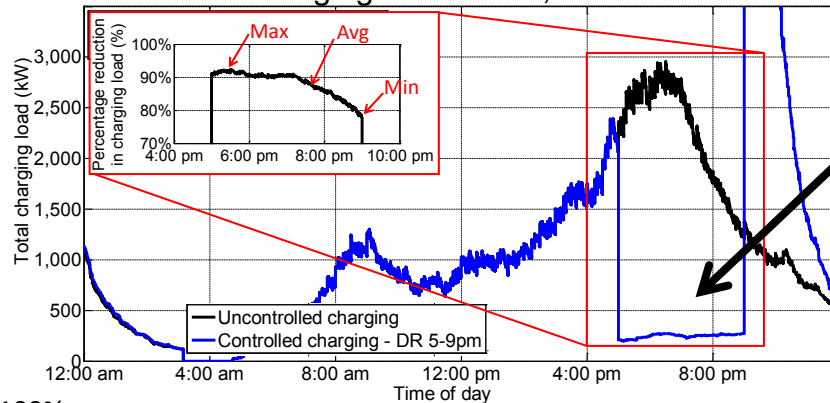
Battery degradation over ten years



# Technical Accomplishments and Progress

## FY15 - Quantifying the Flexibility for EVs to Offer Demand Response (DR)

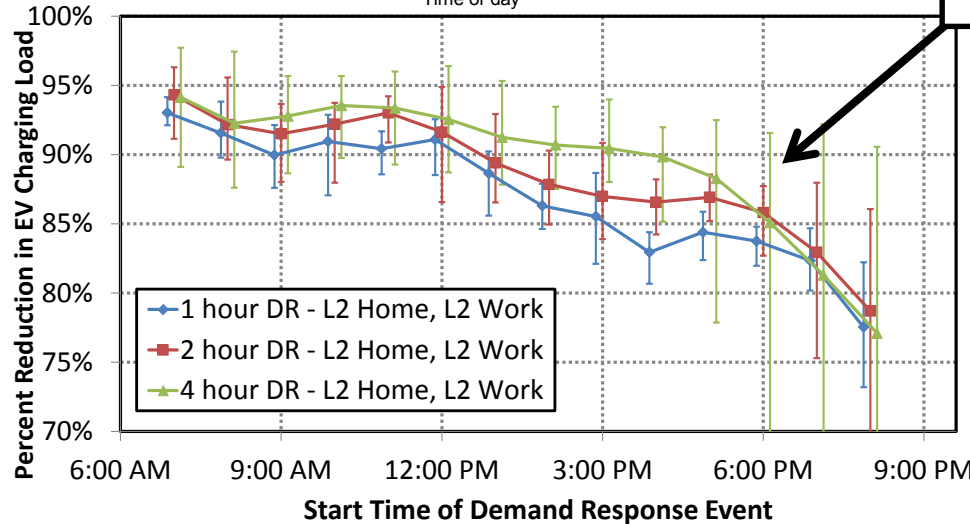
Charging load from 3,166 EVs



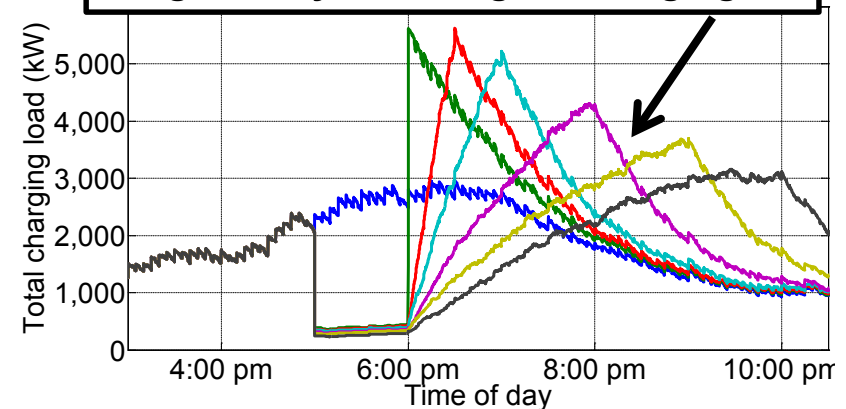
**Managed charging controller in VGISoft reduces PEV charging during DR events**  
(without interfering with any drivers' mobility needs)

**Parametrically simulate DR events for different durations, at different times of day**

**75-95% EV charging can be shed during DR event without interfering with driver needs**



**Can mitigate post-DR peak by gradually resuming EV charging**



S. Saxena, et al., SAE 2015-01-0304

# Response to Previous Year Reviewers' Comments

- **Project not reviewed last year, project is a new start**

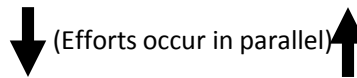
# Collaborations



## Multi-Lab EV Smart Grid Working Group (Convened by the DOE Vehicle Technologies Office)



## Integrating VGISoft co-simulation framework



## Application of VGISoft across targeted case studies, leveraging real-time aggregator systems

VGI Feasibility  
Assessment

VGI Renewables  
Integration Assessment

VGI Battery  
Health Impacts

Real-time Resource  
Scheduling

(Application of findings to  
accelerate VGI deployment) ↓

↑ (Guide research questions, case study  
investigations, and VGI implementations)

## Stakeholder advisory team

California Inter-Agency VGI Working Group

(point of contact: California Energy Commission)



Additional stakeholder advisors

(outreach in process)

E.g., Utilities, Automotive OEMs, EVSE  
Mfgs, Aggregation Entities, System  
Operators, Multi-state ZEV MOU members



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# Key Challenges and Proposed Future Work

## Key Challenges

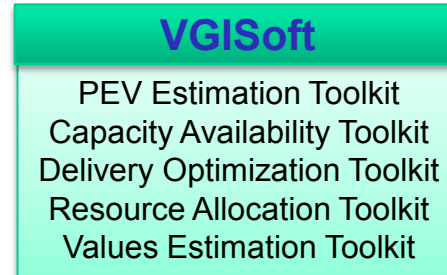
(in integrating toolkits into VGISoft)

- Integrating sub-models and real-time controllers across multiple temporal and spatial scales
- Integrating sub-models that adequately account for real-world constraints to aggregated vehicle-grid services (e.g. communications delays, sensor noise, uncertainties)
- Preserving adequate flexibility in frameworks to account for a variety of costs associated with VGI (e.g. risks of failure to provide awarded grid services, battery degradation, market transaction costs, etc.)

## Future Work

(for project Year 1)

### 1) Integrate & release VGISoft co-simulation framework



- Integration of existing simulation tools / methodologies into VGISoft framework, development of new sub-models and controllers where necessary

### 2) Specific definition of parameters for case studies

- Broad categories of case studies have been defined, with focus on VGI feasibility assessment and renewables integration assessment
- Further case study definition from stakeholder input:
  - Temporal and spatial scales of greatest interest for each case study category
  - Sensing, communication, and control approaches of greatest interest for vehicle and aggregator control systems

# Summary

## Relevance

- **Plug-in vehicles can become an enabler for grid integration of renewable energy, while providing value for all stakeholders**
- **Feasibility (value, cost, complexity, and risks) of VGI remain unclear**

## Approach / Next Steps

- **Integrate and release VGISoft co-simulation framework**
- **Apply VGISoft towards targeted case studies**
  - VGI Feasibility Assessment
  - Renewables Integration Assessment
  - VGI Battery Health Impacts
  - Real-time Resource Scheduling

## FY15 Technical Accomplishments

- **New start project,**  
building upon prior efforts from Multi-Lab EV Smart Grid Working Group
- **VGISoft will integrate capabilities from several DOE simulation tools,**  
including V2G-Sim, a 2015 R&D100 winner
- **Preliminary case study results:**
  - PEVs can play a substantial role in mitigating renewables intermittency (case study for CAISO wholesale market, duck curve)
  - Limited battery health impacts from V2G in comparison health impacts from driving only
  - EVs are *highly* flexible loads, >75% load shed available during demand response without affecting driver mobility needs